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*South Vietnam: Viet Cong regular troops effectively demonstrated their defensive capabilities by holding off superior government forces attacking a village in the southern delta on 19 October.

Apparently profiting from lessons learned in a similar bloody battle at Ap Bac last January, the Viet Cong made maximum use of an "impressive" system of fortifications ringing Loc Ninh village in Chuong Thien Province.

Heavy and accurate automatic weapons fire from entrenchments pinned down the initial attacking elements as they advanced across open fields after disembarking from helicopters. Reinforcing helicopter-borne units were brought under similar fire while still in their landing zones. Fighting continued until after dark, when the enemy forces disengaged and withdrew.

Strikes by 31 combat aircraft failed to neutralize the intensive Communist antiaircraft machinegun fire, which hit 13 US and Vietnamese aircraft.

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[REDACTED] The government troops reportedly conducted themselves well 'under trying conditions'--bad weather delayed some reinforcements, and the remote location of the objective precluded the use of artillery.

Government forces earlier this month had conducted ten major operations in Chuong Thien Province--all but one of them targeted against the 1096th Battalion--without significant contact. The Viet Cong, for their part, attacked at least nine outposts in the province, one of the most insecure in the delta.

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Turkey-Cyprus: Turkish Prime Minister Inonu has warned US officials that the Turkish people would have a "volcanic" reaction to any change in the Cyprus constitution which adversely affected the rights of the Turkish minority on the island.

President Makarios is contemplating changes because he considers the present delicately balanced arrangements unworkable. If the current constitution is not upheld, Inonu sees partition of the island between the Greek and Turkish communities as the only alternative. Such a step would increase the danger of renewed civil strife on Cyprus and damage NATO cooperation in the area.

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NOTE

Greece: The Communist-dominated United Democratic Left (EDA) may be deliberately provoking strong police countermeasures in an effort to discredit the scheduled 3 November parliamentary elections.

EDA supporters apparently planned a sharp clash with Athens police last week that caused injuries to 58 persons. The party, the third strongest in the last parliament, has failed to form a popular front against ex-Premier Karamanlis and is charging the caretaker government with "legalized fraud" in supervising the election campaign.

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